HARD TO RATE HORSES' MERITS.

The Office of Handicapper Is Not by Any Means a Sinecure.

Changes That Are to Be Considered by the English Jockey Club.

Mr. Vosburgh's Work This Season Has tee posted Given Satisfaction as a General Rule.

THERE HAVE BEEN SOME COMPLAINTS.

But This Is Only Natural, and It Seems a Pity That Any Changes Should Be Made in the Present System of Allotting the Weights.

Just at the time that the Jockey Club is contemplating extensive changes in our racing rules, the English Jockey Club has under consideration some alterations which, while they are not on so large a scale, in volve a most important point-an official acknowledgment of the many grumblings heard in every racing community about the work of the handleapper. Two amendments are slated for discussion at the meeting that will be held December 7. The propo sition of the stewards, which will probably be adopted, is to make a new rule as fol-

From this Mr. "Jim" Lowther dissents, on the ground of "the difficulties involved in attempts to provide for the varying circumstances of race meetings generally by means of hard and fast rules." He accordingly moves, in place of the proposed rule, the following resolution.

Naturally the proposal of changes of such attach in aportance has created much discussion, fighting t importance has created much discussion, and equally, of course, good stories of would

He had done no such thing. The four done no such thing. The four years, S stone 2 pounds," was the astonished owner eventually read, is case we have two handlengs made a state man within a few days of the state of the second and the same and the state of the second state of the state of the

seesayar. Of some among them scandis stories are told, involving the paying or of the stakes to them if some lendent. Treated horse won, while the owner was cil content with his chance to scorch the thing the past week there have come myseling the past week the past week there have come myseling the past week the past of the week past of the very arduous office he life can expect to, no one, not even his the basis of the wast majority of myseling the past the past of the very arduous office he life can expect to, no one, not even his the basis of the wast majority of myseling most excellent. It is not in human attree that he should not make some rows, and possibly at these shows by the past of his work has been shown by the past of his work has been shown by the past of his work has been shown by the past of his work has been shown by the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the wast majority of myseling myseling the past of the past

FRANCIS TREVELYAN. hard The New Champagne Vintage.

Corbett Says That if "Lanky Bob" Will Affix Good Boxing Witnessed at the American,

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James J. Corbett arrived in town last evening, and in conversation with a representative of the Journal he said:

"I have my own opinion about Fitzsimmons and his burning desire" to fight me. I can't make myself believe that he is in earnest, and never will until I see him in the sing. I am nutfully disagnated at the series and never will until I see him in the sing. I am nutfully disagnated at the series and never will until I see him in the sing. I am nutfully disagnated at the series and never will until I see him in the sing. I am nutfully disagnated at the series and never will until I see him in the sing. I am nutfully disagnated at the series of the ring. I am awfully disappointed at ing good fast work. The decision was a draw, the Brooklyn folks forbidding us to meet John Dongberty vs. Billy Perry came next. Both

the Brooklyn folks forbidding us to meet at Coney Island. I was sure we would come together, and I only signed after some very influential men gave it as their opinion that we could box.

'I don't know just how to turn at this moment in reference to meeting Firstingmons. Warren Lewis has a \$5,000 gunrantee posted with Al. Smith to pull the consteat off at Coney Island, and I shall give him a kew days' time to try to patch matters at the old and the reference up and show the police that we do not intend engaging in a prize fight.

'However, I have every hope of meeting Firstingmons on Brondway, and later had an Increased offer from another organization. This shows that there are some people who believe we can box in this city, and wisy shouldn't we? We are not sluggers, and our contest could not degenerate into a brutal contest.

The final bout was of ten rounds at 145 pounds between Jack Collier, of Rockaway Beach, and Andy Kirk, of Brooklyn. It was pretty even for five rounds, but Collier's rushes and swings told an Kirk in the lard round, and the referee for five rounds but Collier's rushes and swings told an Kirk in the lard round, and the referee to the even we have the first signal of the provided in his favor.

WEST SIDE A. C. CROWDED.

The small quarters of the new West Side A.
C., on West Fitry fourth sirect, were packed almost to suffocution on Saturday night last to witness the two special six-round hours arranged by the clib.

After the trowd's patience had been sorely tried by a large number of very poor exhibition bours, the first 'special' was announced at 10115 o'clock. The men were Tom McTierney. Now West Side A. C., and Fruin Corle. Pass announced at 10115 o'clock. The men were Tom McTierney. Now West Side A. C., and Fruin Corle. Pass announced at 10115 o'clock. The men were Tom McTierney. Now West Side A. C., and Fruin Corle. Pass announced at 10115 o'clock. The men were Tom McTierney. Now West Side A. C., and Fruin Corle. Pass announced at 10115 o'clock. The men were Tom McTierney. Now Sensat



IRON HILL ENTRIES.

Charts of the Maryland Winter Races Will

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His Signature to Any Agreement, He New West Side, New Brighton and



Shooting Gallery

twenty-round bout before the South Brooklyn A. C. to-night. As Downey has fought three

Knickenbocken Athletic Club

The Revolver Championship Will Open To-day. All the preparations are complete for the big revolver match at the Knicker-bocker Athletic Club, which begins this morning at 10 o'clock. It is to continue for six days and clase at 11 o'clock on Saturday night. Up to midnight last night eighteen

entries had been received. Among them are some of the famous shots of America.

The range, which is under the east sidewalk of Madison avenue, is a very good one, and for the present match it has been put in first-class order by Captain J. S. Coulin,

McCormick, H. C. Barnet, George E. Jantzer, L. L. Jessup, J. M. Stewart, F. A.

heavyweights, of this city, were the stars of the principal bout. This was to have been a six-round affair, but less than three were sufficient to give Van Houten his quietus. In the first round Van Houten suprised bis admirers by punching Gorman hard and sending him to his corner bleeding. In the second Gorman lander hard on Van Houten's jaw and had him very groggy at the end. It teck but I min 55 secon forman lander hard on Van Houten in the third, he being knocked down three times and was virtually out when the referee stopped the contest.

AT THE NEW BRIGHTON A. C.

The recently organized New Brighton Athletic Club gave its second boxing exhibition of the second stake is far foals of 856, to be decided in 1900 and has precisely the same conditions. Both should be won by American be kept "alive" up to a shortperiod before the race for a total payment of \$50, or three-quarters of one per cent of the stake. In view of the fact that the Austrians are the most liberal buyers in this market of

First Race—Six furlongs.

Daniel Collins, of this place, margined to complete the sum of the sum of

Chicago.

Montana Circuit Assuming Importance has

MR. STOKES BUILDS MODEL BARNS, firlet

Bigger Brethren.

The Board of Review of the National agre Trotting Association will begin its regular ger to annual session to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Murray Hill Hotel in this what city. President P. P. Johnston will be in be so to one part are down for trial, though none of them are of national importance. Mr. David Bonner is the vice-president. Colonel William Edwards, of Cleveland, one of the leading members of the Board, and president of the Cleveland Driving Park Company, arrived in town yesterday, and is at the pany, arrived in town yesterday, and is at the colonial support of the colonial support of the pany, arrived in town yesterday, and is at the colonial support of the colonial suppo pany, arrived in town yesterday, and is at the Murray Hill Hotel. The bulance of dith the members will arrive to-day.

The Board of the American Trotting Association will meet in Chicago to-morrow, on busines similar to that which will engage the attention of the National Board. The two parent associations have about 1.500 members, which number licitides all the reputable trotting tracks in the United States and Canada.

The Baden Trotting Association, of

Vienna, Austria, has announced two stakes is for his

On the Training of Ball Players.

Cycle Racing

With regard to its bearing upon the play, there Though Tom Linton and "Jimmy" Michael With regard to its bearing upon the play, there no department of professional baseball con- are fellow-countrymen and come from the same ming which there is more general misconceptown in North Wales, it is likely that they in the laying of asphalt parements on that of "training." In this connection, will fight out the rivalry that has long existed attracts occupied by surface railroads, the an that of "training." In this connective were, no reference is intended to either the known as "condition" or the exerciple to keep aim there after he has a that stage; but what is here meant are bits and diet generally recognized among at experienced and rational players and efforts to bring about a match to decide and rational players and efforts to bring about a match to decide which was the better at middle distance work were unsuccessful. Libron figures out that flux attention or study, is that the niles should prevail as apply to anhetes other branches of athletics, and the assome than pleased to come to America with the Eck combination, as it furnished him with an excuse for declining an hour race that was available at any sime. It is remarkable that both these champions at the middle distances should come from the particular to decide any streets occupied by surface railroads, the between them aliace they because stars, on a completion. The company of the unew conditions. The action of the Metropolitan Traction Company on First avenue, which were unsuccessful. Libron figures out that furnished him with an excuse for declining an hour race that was available at any sime. It is remarkable that both these champions at the middle distances should come from the completion of the Metropolitan Traction Company on First avenue, which were unsuccessful. Libron figures out that furnished him with an excuse for declining an hour race that was available at any sime. It is remarkable t

The delay in ratifying the articles of alliance ng complications that may lead to decided difces, and, while the Union in its present



and the betting is always quick and heavy.

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ecord. but said to be able to go in This fellow should make a sensation. The statement that the New York Athletic Club intended to invade England next Summer

Half backs

this sort of thing. A. G. BATCHELDER. KNOW THYSELF.

Feakes to Train Challenger. tion with Mr. Galway's Preakness Stable last Fall, has made arrangements with the proprietor A Book for Every Man, young, of the Stockwell Stable and at once takes charge Kinnikinnic, Titmoose, etc. The stable is at

ON SURFACE RAILROADS.

Notes and News. Department of Public Works at Considerable Trouble to Make Them Adjust

tails of training, it of the ment of the set them engaged in a struggle, which is like Works, who has personal charge of the mere agoing that two are the best boar performers in prepared a natter on "The Influence of grown in the two are the best hoar performers in the world. Michael's long string of victories is prepared a paper on "The Influence of Ralis on Pavements," which will be read to the best meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers on December 16, and which is of special interest to the cyclists of this city.

In the course of his paper, he says:

While the section of rail adopted for most of the surface rouds is obstructive to the rights

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